



Docket No. 1232-4612

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s) : Teruo Hieda  
Serial No. : 09/501,017 Group Art Unit: 2612  
Filed : February 9, 2000 Examiner: Justin P. Misleh  
For : IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS, METHOD AND COMPUTER-  
READABLE STORAGE MEDIUM

Mail Stop AF  
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. BOX 1450  
ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of January 25, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper;

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.